

# CLASS SERMON

COMMENCEMENT WEEK FORMALLY OPENED

Dr. F. S. Blayney Preached to 1916 Graduating Class of Abilene High School—Doings of the Week

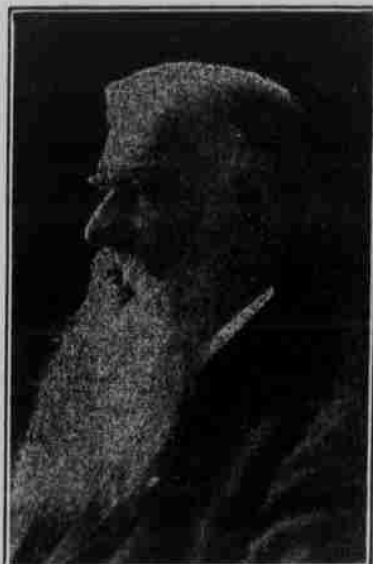
## THE WEEK'S PROGRAM

Tuesday—Class Night, Seelye Theatre.  
Wednesday — Elementary school program, Seelye, 8 p. m.  
Thursday—8 p. m., Commencement, Mrs. Margaret Hill McCarter, at Seelye.  
9 a. m.—Farewell chapel, presentation of A's to the track and baseball men.  
10 a. m.—Short classes and receiving of grade cards.  
Friday—Alumni reunion and reception to graduates at 8 p. m. at Masonic temple.  
Manhattan High School vs. A. H. S. baseball game at Manhattan.  
Saturday—School of Agriculture vs. A. H. S. baseball at Manhattan.

## Baccalaureate Sermon

With II Timothy 2:9, "Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure—steady \* \* \*" as the text of his discourse, Dr. F. S. Blayney laid it upon the minds of the 35 students that the coming man and woman of power and action must lay foundations for a broad rich life: in personality, social activity, civil duties and religious development. The sermon was full of sound logic and practical advice and delivered in the distinctive Blayney manner.

The sermon was opened with an enlarged and interesting definition and an outline of facts concerning the significance of the term, foun-



Dr. F. S. Blayney

ation. Coming from a Latin and Greek root its meaning, accidentally attributed then, bears the same significance now "to pour."

"Throughout the old and new testaments the writers call attention to the importance of right foundations. Abiding things must have firm foundations; so must action, character, disposition and destiny. As each of the personal, cultural, civil and religious spheres differ somewhat from the others each requires a special element as a basis for the full realization of the distinctive features of a successful life work," said he.

As the basis for this four-fold development he gave the following: "Personality must rest upon intelligence, conscientiousness and moral activity. The moral activity is demanded in this age requiring practical results in life.

"Society demands intelligence, culture and human sympathy properly blended in social activity.

"The civil duty demands intelligence, loyalty, honesty and honest obedience to law expressed not only in patriotic love of country but in full discharge of duty to preserve and defend the state.

"Religion demands intelligence, worship and service of the highest possible order in harmony with some organized plan so as to gain the best results in the uplifted life."

Summing it all up he said: "The school furnishes the developed intelligence in large measure and also furnishes the model or method by which the other elements are to be gained and embodied in life, action. You are just ready to begin the great life work of building these great life structures. Success depends on how fully you build on God's foundation."

The theatre was crowded with

relatives and friends of the graduates; most of the churches having dismissed their evening service to evoke power upon the school representatives in a union gathering. The Rev. A. Casselman gave the invocation and the scripture was read by the Rev. H. F. Martin. After prayer by the Rev. H. E. Bower the Presbyterian choir sang. F. B. White rendered a beautiful baritone solo. The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. J. A. Sinclair.

## Doings of the Week

Last night's services formally opened commencement week, although contrary to past practices, the senior play was given last week. It will be a particularly busy one for the teachers and pupils. Social and other affairs fill every night of the week except Saturday. School will end Thursday with the commencement exercises for the high school and programs in the grades.

The fun comes tomorrow night with the program of the classes. It follows:

Music.....Chorus  
Senior Program:  
Class History.....Chester Cassel  
Class Prophecy.....Harriet Patterson  
Class Will.....Marie Davis  
Music.....Boys' Glee Club  
Junior Program:  
Representative.....Myrri Rodney  
Music.....H. S. Orchestra  
Music.....Girls' Glee Club  
Sophomore Program:  
Representative.....Dudley Wyandt  
Music.....High School Orchestra  
Freshman Program  
Music.....H. S. Orchestra  
High School Song, "Orange and the Brown".....All Classes

The regular classes were run on schedule today at the high and tomorrow morning only the first four periods will be held and the last three, Wednesday morning. This gives the instructors the afternoon for the completion of reports and grade cards. Thursday morning at 9 a. m. will be the farewell chapel. Splendid exhibits of the work of the pupils of the manual and domestic science and art departments are open to the public at the high school during the afternoons and all are invited to come and review the results of the year's work.

## In the Grades

All the grades of the elementary schools are uniting to participate in exercises at the Seelye theatre Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. The program, given under the auspices of Miss Ethel Shay, will consist of music, solos, choruses, folk dances and the like. This is the first year for this kind of grade closing exercises. There will be an admission fee of ten cents. The programs in each of the rooms will not be held.

## OTTERS AND FOXES WINNERS

Kauffman and Hoffenal High Point Getters in Scout Track Meet

The Otter patrol with 51 points won first in Class A in the Boy Scout track meet held at the city park. The Foxes were second with 31 points while the Wolves had 19. The Foxes won in Class B, annexing 52 points, but the Eagles ran them hard with 51 points. Harold Kauffman was the star performer of the Class B boys, winning 46 points, including 8 firsts, while Paul Hoffenal was the best point getter in Class A with 25 to his credit. The results were as follows:

Class A—50 yards, Hoffenal and Shadinger tied, Stevens 3rd; high jump, Crane, Stevens and Wyandt tied; 100 yards, Shadinger, Hoffenal, Wyandt; 220 yards, Hoffenal, Shadinger, Wyandt; pole vault, Crane, Shadinger, Stevens, tied; broad jump, Hoffenal, Stevens, Shadinger; ½ mile, Stevens, Long, Hoffenal; 1 mile, Gish 1st, Long and Hoffenal tied; 1 mile bike race, Shadinger, Wilkie, Gish; discus, Crane, Shadinger, Stevens; shot put, Hoffenal, Crane, Wyandt.

Class B—Shot put, Kauffman, Slaybaugh, Graham; discus, Kauffman, Crebbs, Kraybill; ½ mile, Little, Kauffman, Kraybill; broad jump, Kauffman, Crebbs, Kraybill; 50 yards, Kauffman, Crebbs, Walters; high jump, Kauffman and Crebbs tied; 100 yards, Kauffman, Crebbs, Walters; pole vault, Kauffman and Crebbs tied; 220 yards, Kauffman, Graham, Little; ½ mile bike, Kauffman, Crebbs, Walters.

## ALBERT GISH GRADUATED WITH HONORS AT WARREN, O.

Albert R. Gish, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gish of this city has just completed a four year's course in music at the Warren (Ohio) military band school. Announcements of his graduation have been received by his friends here, which took place at Warren, May 18. Albert is well known here, having finished the grade schools and spent two years in A. H. S. Through the encouragement of Prof. E. C. Tillotson, who recommended this musical school, Albert entered there four years ago with a determination to "go through." He has now finished with honors, having won three medals for having the highest average in the class, his average this year being 95.

He arrived here yesterday for a month's visit at home, after which he will join the Royal Black Hussar concert band at Auburn, Ind., and tour the central states this summer, playing for the Lincoln chautauqua.

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## A. H. S. YEAR BOOK, "ORANGE AND BROWN" OFF THE PRESS

"The Orange and Brown," the 80-page year book edited by the members of the senior class of the high school and published by the Reflector, went on the market this morning. The book reflects credit to its editors, Daphne Swartz and John Haskell, and the business manager, Deane Malott. It contains a complete review of the past year's activities of the schools and its illustrations are elaborate, some very commendable work having been done by the artists and contributors. Half tones and zinc etchings have been used profusely which adds spice to the edition. The copies are being rapidly disposed of.

## AUTOMOBILES IN COUNTY HAVE PASSED 1800 MARK

Said N. Cole, county treasurer, "The motor cars in Dickinson county have passed the 1800 mark." Today, Mr. Cole mailed the licenses paid for during the week ending Saturday, to the state treasurer, which brings the total to 1809 automobiles which are the property of the residents of Dickinson county. In addition there are 122 motorcycles. The number of persons per automobile continually grows less and now there are 13.3 persons for each automobile owned in the county. Allowing for the usual wear and tear on a car and the subsequent purchase of a new one, it will not be long until everybody rides.

## MRS. MAMIE HOON DIES AT HOME IN LINCOLN, NEB.

A death that will sadden friends in this city was that of Mrs. Mamie Hoon, the wife of William Hoon, who died very suddenly at her home in Lincoln, Neb., Saturday noon. John Hoon went to Lincoln yesterday and the body will arrive here tomorrow. Funeral services will be held at the Grace Reformed church Wednesday at 10 a. m., with the Rev. A. Casselman officiating. Interment in the Abilene cemetery.

Mrs. William Hoon formerly resided here, Mr. Hoon having been engaged in the mercantile business. The husband survives her.

## STOCKHOLDERS TO DECIDE ON FUTURE OF FAIR MAY 31

The stockholders of the Dickinson County Fair association will meet in the Abilene Chamber of Commerce rooms Wednesday, May 31, at 1:30 p. m. Business of importance, relative to the future of the fair will be transacted. T. R. Conklin, president, is anxious that all be there in person or by proxy.

## H. T. STEEPER PREFERS KANSAS TO HIGHER SALARY

The following taken from the Leavenworth Times will be of local interest, as Mr. Steeper served as principal of the Abilene high school for two years. He went from here to the principalship at Parsons.

"H. T. Steeper, principal of our high school, has just received an invitation to go to Streator, Ill., where there is a vacancy in the principalship of a high school at a salary several hundred dollars better than is paid in Leavenworth. But Mr. Steeper does not care to leave Kansas and he is particularly anxious to carry on the work begun in Leavenworth.

"Mr. Steeper was offered a job in Montana last year and had he not been so wedded to Kansas he could have had a very much better salary than he has been getting here.

"Mr. Steeper has been principal of our high school now for nearly a year. He had in W. A. Bailey one of the hardest men of the state to follow. It is always far easier to follow an inefficient man than one of high efficiency. But Mr. Steeper has filled the place well, has continued the work of building up the school and has gained the high re-

gard of members of the board of education, of the superintendent and of the high school faculty."

## MANY ALUMNI WILL ATTEND D. C. H. S. REUNION THURSDAY

Between 200 and 300 of the alumni of the Dickinson county high school will gather at Chapman, Thursday, May 25. The program for the day will be started off with a business meeting of the old "grads" and then the former stars of the diamond will clash with the high school team in a baseball game. After the commencement exercises at 8 p. m. the annual alumni banquet will be given.

H. W. Rohrer will preside as toastmaster at this function. The program follows: Toasts, Rees Robertson '02, Royal Ryan '16; piano solo, Esther Buhrer '14; address, W. S. Robb; sketch, Huff family '04-'16; Toast, Mrs. Wm. Rumold '95; Duet, Frank Gorman and Paul Sanborn; toast, Walter Wilkins '97.

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